

IN THE CLAIMS

Rewrite the pending claims and add new claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A system for navigating and browsing electronic media, comprising:
a device enabling viewing of digitally stored information, the device being configured to display at least portions of a categorization structure having a plurality of nested cascading category levels, each category level of the plurality of nested cascading category levels comprising a plurality of category titles of electronic media content stored on at least one storage device, each category title having a selectable link-token to the stored content for said each category title, said each category title also being coupled to a ~~hidden~~ nested subcategory structure of said each category title, the ~~hidden~~ nested subcategory structure of said each category title comprising link-tokens of category titles ~~comprised in~~ wherein said each category title and the category titles in the different plurality of category levels are able to be browsed independently of having to select and retrieve the stored content for any title from the at least one storage device, wherein the categorization structure enables a user viewing content of any category title in the categorization structure to retrieve content of any other category title in the categorization structure using a single retrieval command.
2. (Currently Amended) A system for tracking the navigation and browsing of electronic media, and facilitating the changing of navigation and browsing path, the system comprising a computer configured to display to a user pages of content within an inter-linked content structure having a textual table format comprising at least three category levels, and to enable the user to retrieve ~~at will~~ with one single retrieval command any desired content page within the inter-linked content structure from a display of every other content page of the inter-linked content structure.
3. (Previously Presented) The system according to Claim 1, wherein link-tokens of one or more category titles in a first category level of the plurality of nested cascading category levels are displayed for viewing on a display device in response to placing a cursor on a starting symbol representing a gateway to viewing the categorization structure displayed on the display device, without clicking.
4. (Previously Presented) The system according to Claim 3, wherein the link-tokens of one or more category titles in the first category level are displayed on the display device

underneath the starting symbol representing the gateway to viewing the categorization structure.

5. (Previously presented) The system according to Claim 3, wherein placing the cursor on one link-token of the link-tokens of the one or more category titles in the first category level causes the title corresponding to the one link-token to be changed in appearance and causes a second category level having a second plurality of titles to be displayed alongside the first category level, the plurality of titles in the second category level being sub-categories of the category title changed in appearance in the first category level.
6. (Original) The system according to Claim 3, wherein the titles in the first category level are displayed in a first listing-area with the titles listed one under the other.
7. (Original) The system according to Claim 5, wherein the titles in the second category level are displayed in a second listing-area with the titles listed one under the other.
8. (Previously presented) The system according to Claim 5, wherein placing the cursor on one title of the category titles displayed in the second category level causes said one title of the category titles displayed in the second category level to be changed in appearance and causes a third category level having a third plurality of category titles to be displayed alongside the second category level, the plurality of titles in the third category level being sub-categories of the changed in appearance title displayed in the second category level.
9. (Original) The system according to Claim 1, wherein the system has a selectable number of category levels.
10. (Original) The system according to Claim 1, wherein the system has a selectable number of category titles in each category level.
11. (Previously Presented) The system according to Claim 1, wherein the system is implemented using software, and wherein the single retrieval command is a single click.
12. (Original) The system according to Claim 1, wherein when the cursor is moved from a category level having a plurality of category titles which are sub-categories of a title in a higher category level, the category level with the plurality of sub-category titles, and all subsequent category levels cease to be displayed on the display device.

13. (Original) The system according to Claim 1, wherein when the cursor is moved from a first category title in a first category level to a second category title in the first category level, a first plurality of sub-category titles of the first category title in a second, lower category level ceases to be displayed on the display device, and a second plurality of sub-category titles of the second category title on which the cursor now rests is displayed in a second category level on the display device.
14. (Original) The system according to Claim 1, wherein a browser can browse the categorization structure independently of any media content displayed on the display device.
15. (Original) The system according to Claim 1, wherein a browser can navigate and browse the different category titles in the different category levels of the categorization structure without having to select and retrieve a page of media content from the storage device and without having to navigate back and forth between different pages of media content.
16. (Original) The system according to Claim 3, wherein the categorization structure resides with the pages of media content but is not displayed on the display device with the media content until a browser places the cursor on the starting symbol.
17. (Original) The system according to Claim 3, wherein the media content are the pages of a web site.
18. (Original) The system according to Claim 17, wherein a browser can navigate and browse the different category titles in the different category levels of the categorization structure without having to download a web page from the storage device and without having to navigate back and forth between different web pages.
19. (Original) The system according to Claim 17, wherein the categorization structure resides with the web pages but is not displayed on the display device with the web pages until a browser places the cursor on the starting symbol.
20. (Previously presented) The system according to Claim 1, wherein a browser can navigate back and forth between a category title in a first category level and a category title in a second category level of the categorization structure.

21. (Previously Presented) The system according to Claim 1, wherein a browser can move from a first or any category title in a particular level to any other title in the same level of the categorization structure.

22. (Currently Amended) A system for navigating and browsing electronic media, comprising:

a device for viewing of digitally stored information, the device being configured to display at least portions of a categorization tree structure having a plurality of cascading category lists, each list of the plurality of cascading category lists comprising a plurality of category titles to electronic media content stored on at least one storage device, each category title having a selectable link-token to the stored content file for said each category title, wherein the device is configured to display one or more link-tokens ~~comprised~~ in the stored content file for said each category title in response to placement of a cursor on the selectable link-token of said category title without clicking on or invocation of the selectable link-token of said category title, whereby the system enables the category titles in the different plurality of category lists to be browsed independently of selecting and retrieving stored content files for any title from the at least one storage device, wherein the categorization tree structure enables a user viewing content of any category title in the categorization structure to retrieve content of any other category title in the categorization structure using a single retrieval command.

23. (Canceled)

24. (Canceled)

25. (Currently Amended) The system according to claim 24, wherein each content page of the plurality of interlinked content pages is embedded with the categorization structure, and the categorization structure is a ~~hidden~~ dynamic nested-cascading categorization structure that allows the browser viewing any content page to browse and view the entire categorization structure independent of the content of any content page.

26. (Canceled)

27. (Canceled)

28. (Canceled)

29. (Previously presented) A system for navigating and browsing electronic media comprising:
at least one storage device storing a plurality of interlinked web pages of a web site;
and a computing device configured to provide over a computer network the web pages to a user, each web page of the plurality of interlinked web pages comprising a starting symbol for a gateway to viewing a categorization tree structure that comprises link-tokens for the web pages of the plurality of interlinked web pages, wherein when the user viewing content of said each web page places a cursor on the starting symbol of each said web page the computing device causes at least a portion of the categorization tree structure to be displayed on each said web page and wherein the categorization tree structure enables the user to use a single click to (1) return to any previous web page of the plurality of interlinked web pages, and (2) navigate to web page of the plurality of interlinked web pages on a different browsing path from the browsing path of said each web page.

30. (New) A system of claim 1, wherein the interlinked content structure is hidden from view and a subcategory structure is not displayed until a cursor rolls over a respective category title.

31. (New) A user interface for an electronic device, comprising:
a cursor controllable by a user;
a primary category navigation region including a plurality of primary links to electronic media content, the primary category navigation region being responsive to movement of the cursor;
a secondary category navigation region including a plurality of secondary links to electronic media content, the secondary category navigation region being responsive to movement of the cursor and being displayed only upon roll-over by the cursor of one of the primary links;
a tertiary category navigation region including a plurality of tertiary links to electronic media content, the tertiary category navigation region being responsive to movement of the cursor and being displayed only upon roll-over by the cursor of one of the secondary links;
and
a content display region configured to display the electronic media content associated with one of the primary, secondary, or tertiary links only upon selection of such link by a user of the user interface.

32. (New) The user interface of claim 31, further comprising:

a tracking string display region that represents a path to the particular electronic media content being displayed in the content display region, the tracking string display region being responsive to movement of the cursor and comprising a plurality of separate link portions;

a tracking string category navigation region that, only upon roll-over by the cursor of a link portion of the plurality of separate link portions, displays a plurality of links to electronic media content at the same path level as the link portion.

33. (New) The user interface of claim 32, wherin the tracking string display region and the tracking string category navigation region are displayed within the content display region.

34. (New) The user interface of claim 31, wherein the selection is a single click.

35. (New) The user interface of claim 31, wherein the content of the primary, secondary, and tertiary category navigation regions is independent of the content in the content display region.

36. (New) The user interface of claim 31, wherein the electronic media content are pages of a website.

37. (New) The user interface of claim 31, wherein the primary, secondary, or tertiary category navigation regions cease to be displayed when the cursor is removed from the respective category navigation region.

38. (New) The user interface of claim 31, wherein the rolled-over first, second, or tertiary links are presented in a visually distinctive manner from the other links of their respective category navigation regions.

39. The user interface of claim 38, wherein the visually distinctive manner is selected from the group consisting of bolding, highlighting, and changed background color.

40. (New) The user interface of claim 31, further comprising:

a gateway symbol region displayed in the content region, the gateway symbol region being responsive to the movement;

the first category navigation region being displayed only upon roll-over by the cursor of the gateway symbol.

41. (New) The user interface of claim 31, wherein each category navigation region displays its respective links to electronic media content in a menu format.

42. (New) A user interface for an electronic device, comprising:
a cursor controllable by a user;
a content display region configured to display the electronic media content;
a tracking string display region that represents a path to the particular electronic media content being displayed in the content display region, the tracking string display region being responsive to movement of the cursor and comprising a plurality of separate link portions;
a tracking string category navigation region that, only upon roll-over by the cursor of one of the link portions, displays a plurality of tracking string category links to electronic media content at the same path level as the link portion.

43. (New) The user interface of claim 42, further comprising:
a tracking string subcategory navigation region including a plurality of tracking string subcategory links to electronic media content, the tracking string subcategory navigation region being responsive to movement of the cursor and being displayed only upon roll-over by the cursor of one of the tracking string category links.

44. (New) The user interface of claim 42, further comprising:
a plurality of tracking string subcategory navigation regions including a plurality of tracking string subcategory links to electronic media content, each of the tracking string subcategory navigation regions being responsive to movement of the cursor and being displayed only upon roll-over by the cursor of a previous level of the tracking string category links or tracking string subcategory links.

45. (New) A user interface for an electronic device, comprising:
a cursor controllable by a user;
a primary category navigation region including a plurality of primary links to electronic media content, the primary category navigation region being responsive to movement of the cursor;
a secondary category navigation region including a plurality of secondary links to electronic media content, the secondary category navigation region being responsive to

movement of the cursor and being displayed upon a browsing selection command by the cursor of one of the primary links;

a tertiary category navigation region including a plurality of tertiary links to electronic media content, the tertiary category navigation region being responsive to movement of the cursor and being displayed upon a browsing selection command by the cursor of one of the secondary links; and

a content display region configured to display the electronic media content associated with one of the primary, secondary or tertiary links only upon a content retrieval selection command of such link by a user of the user interface.

46. (New) The user interface of claim 45, wherein the browsing selection command is a single click and the content retrieval selection command is a double click.

47. (New) The user interface of claim 45, wherein each respective category navigation region is displayed, regardless of the location of the cursor, until a browsing de-selection command is performed on the respective navigation region.

48. (New) The user interface of claim 47, wherein the browsing de-selection command is a single click of a mouse button.

49. (New) The user interface of claim 45, further comprising:

a tracking string display region that represents a path to the particular electronic media content being displayed in the content display region, the tracking string display region being responsive to movement of the cursor and comprising a plurality of separately selectable link portions;

a tracking string category navigation region that, upon selection of one of the selectable link portions, displays a plurality of links to electronic media content at the same path level as the selected link portion.

50. (New) A user interface for an electronic device, comprising:

a cursor controllable by a user;

a content display region configured to display the electronic media content;

a tracking string display region that represents a path to the particular electronic media content being displayed in the content display region, the tracking string display region being responsive to movement of the cursor and comprising a plurality of separate link portions;

a tracking string category navigation region that, only in response to a browsing selection command of one of the link portions, displays a plurality of tracking string category links to electronic media content at the same path level as the link portion.

51. (New) A method of navigating and browsing electronic media, comprising:
 - rolling a cursor over a gateway symbol;
 - receiving a primary category navigation region including a plurality of primary links to electronic media content;
 - rolling the cursor over a primary link;
 - receiving a secondary category navigation region including a plurality of secondary links to electronic media content;
 - rolling the cursor over a secondary link;
 - receiving a tertiary category navigation region including a plurality of tertiary links to electronic media content;
 - selecting one of the primary, secondary, or tertiary links as a selected link;
 - receiving the electronic media content associated with the selected link.